

First results for CONCERTO at APEX!

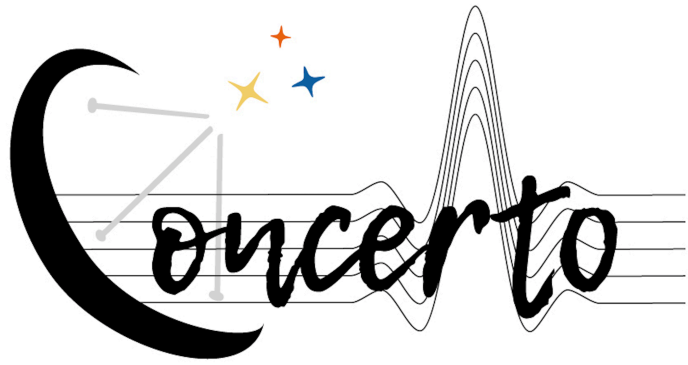
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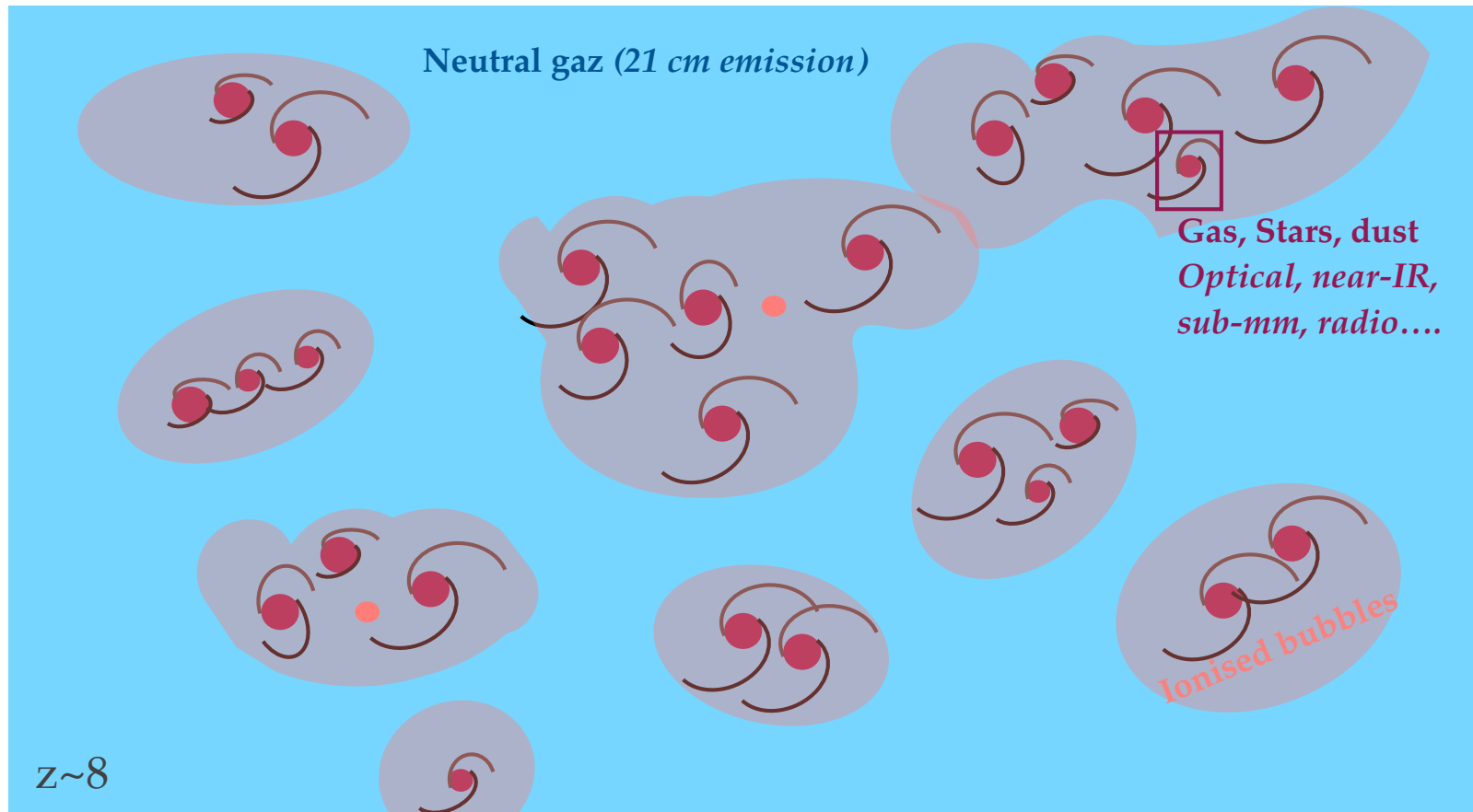
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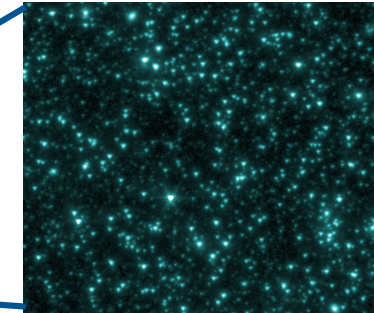
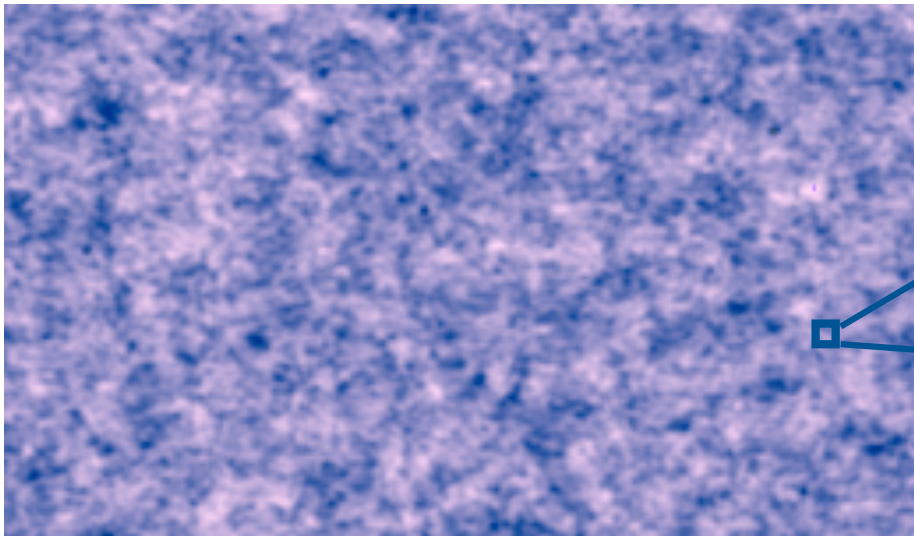
Why embark on the construction
of a new instrument ?







Measuring the large-scale fluctuations in the emission from a large number of unresolved sources

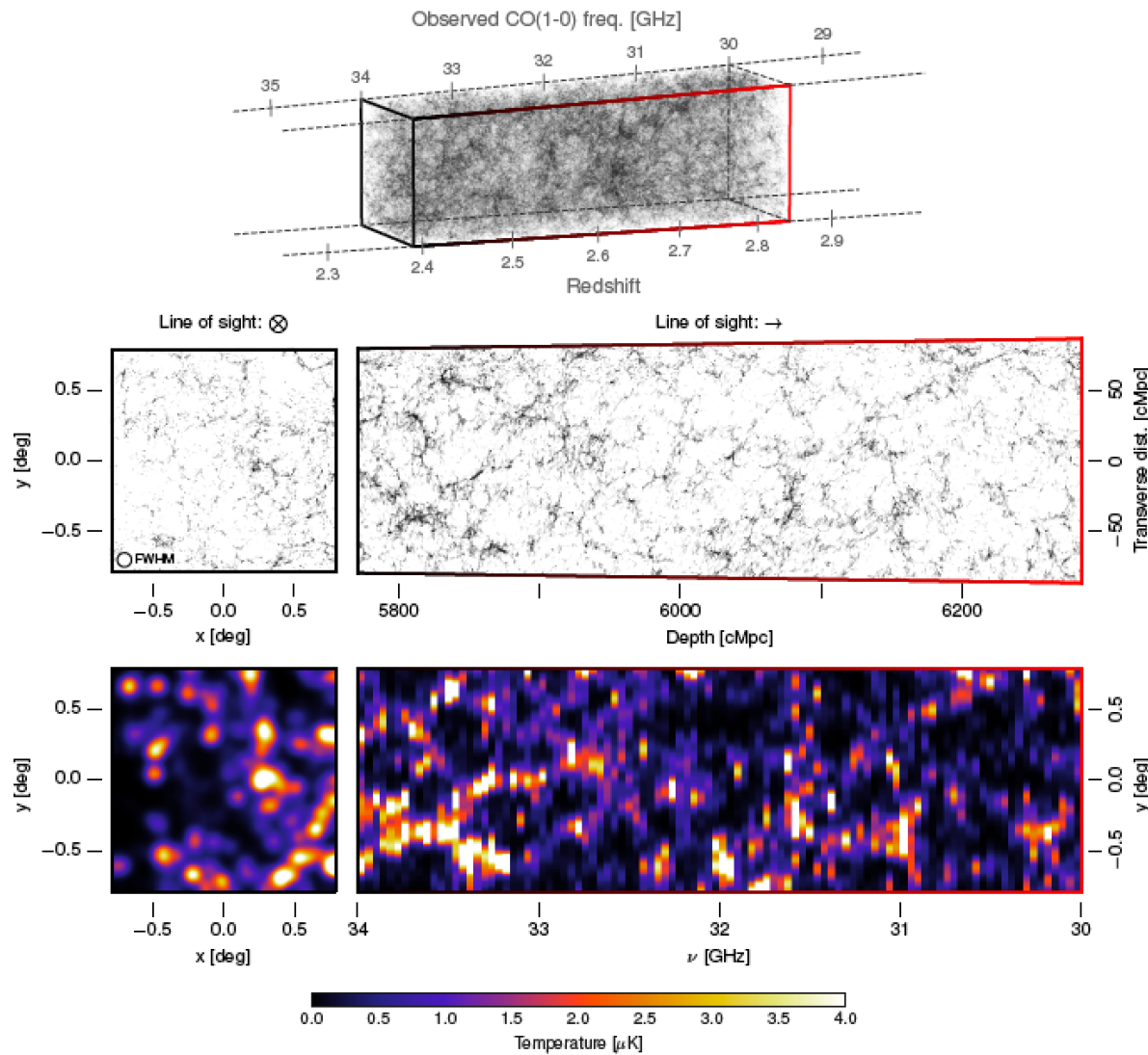


Galaxy surveys (HST, Spitzer, JWST, ALMA)

Intensity mapping
(confusion-limited surveys)

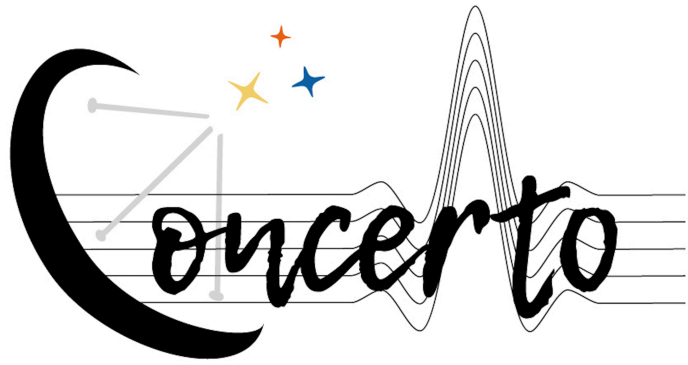
Intensity mapping:

- measure angular fluctuations in the brightness of the sky at a particular frequency
- naturally sensitive to the radiation from faint sources and from the diffuse intergalactic medium
- basic tool : **angular power spectrum**; intensity fluctuations are used to reconstruct the power spectrum of matter fluctuations



- ❖ Brightness temperature fluctuations on the sky in 3D
- ❖ Retain redshift information
- ❖ [CII] line
 - ❖ One of the brightest emission lines in the spectra of galaxies
 - ❖ Redshifted into the sub-mm and mm atmospheric windows for $4.5 < z < 9$
 - ❖ One of the most valuable tracers of dusty star formation at high redshift

$\Rightarrow \delta\nu = 1.5 \text{ GHz}$ corresponds to $\delta z = 0.05$ for [CII] at $z = 7$



CONCERTO*

**A new spectrometer to map the intensity
fluctuations of the [CII] line**

LAM, Institut Néel, LPSC, IPAG
And European/Chilean partners (science)

<https://mission.lam.fr/concerto/>

*CarbON CII line in post-rEionisation and Reionisation epoch

❖ Focal plane:

- ❖ Kinetic Inductance Detectors (KID)
- ❖ Success of the NIKA2 IRAM camera
- ❖ FOV $D > 15'$, $f\lambda$ sampling \Rightarrow arrays of 2,152 pixels

❖ Cryostat:

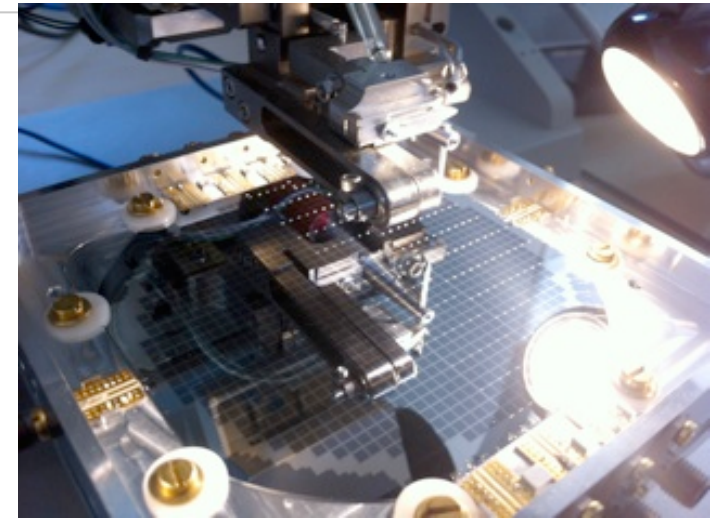
- ❖ Closed-circle $3\text{He}-4\text{He}$ dilution - 100mK
- ❖ 4K stage: achieved using a standard two-stages pulse-tube

❖ Martin-Puplet interferometer (like a Michelson interferometer but with a movable mirror)

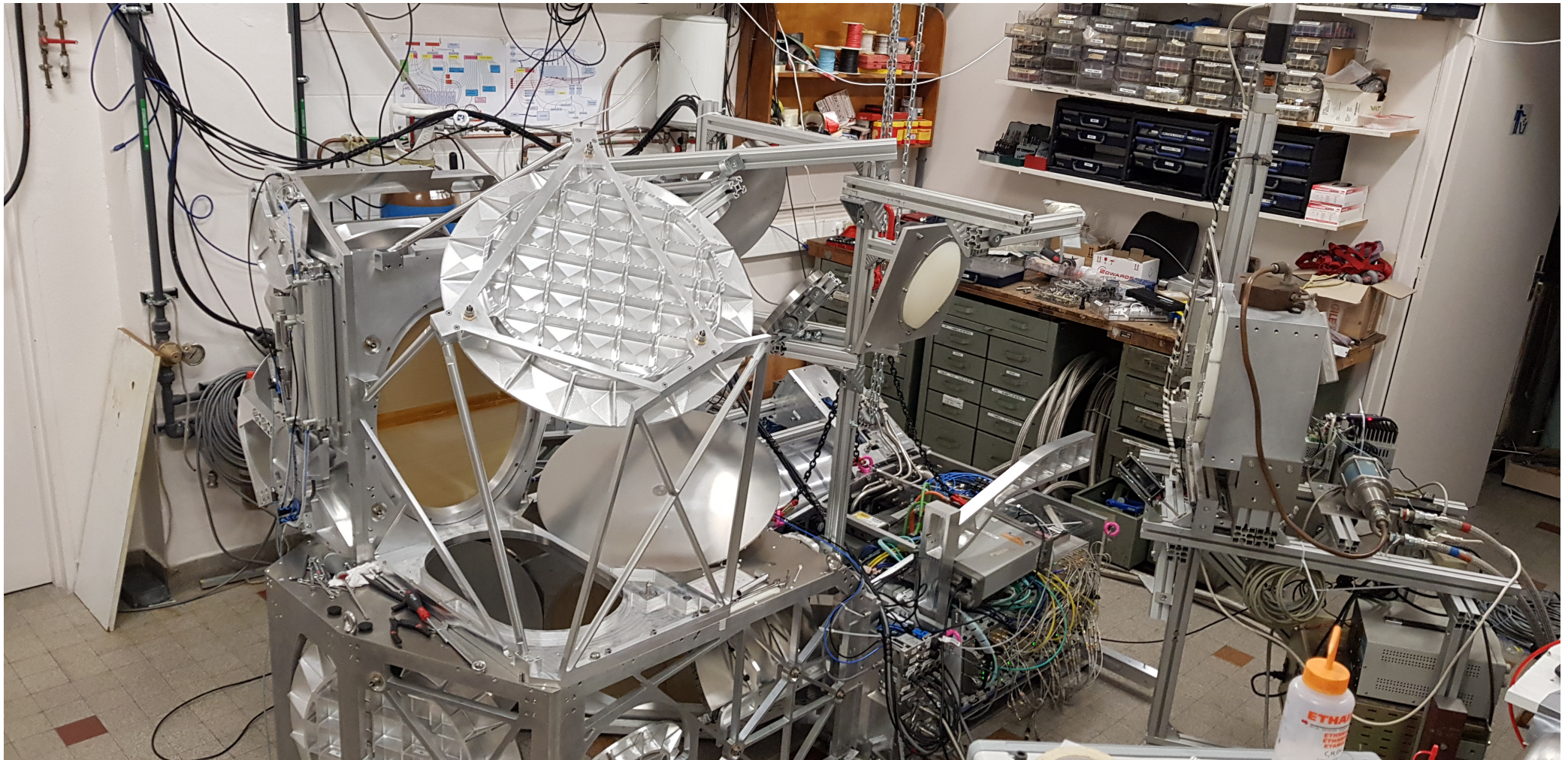
- ❖ Outside the cryostat
- ❖ Spectral resolution ($\nu/\delta\nu$): $R=100$ to 300
- ❖ Perform continuously path interferograms at a frequency of few Hertz or more (2-5Hz)
 - ❖ Faster than most of the sky noise - only possible with KIDS
 - ❖ "Nominal": 4 interferograms for all pixels of the matrix every second

❖ A « sub-mm » antenna:

- ❖ APEX telescope, in a very dry area, $\theta=23''$ at 305 GHz
- ❖ Frequency range: two arrays, 195-310 GHz for the HF and 130-270 GHz for LF

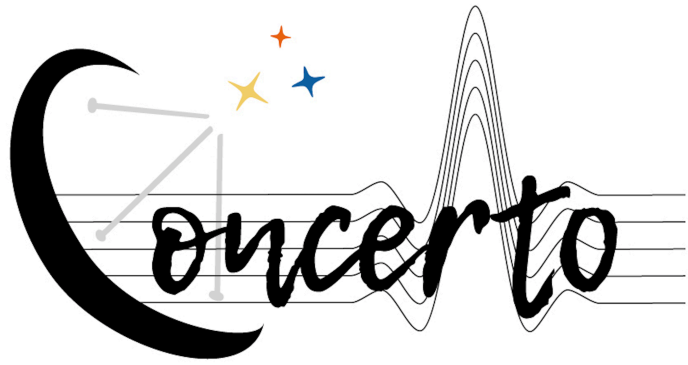


ERC approval: Feb 2018 — PDR: Feb 2019 — FDR: Feb 2020 — Installation: April 2021



“A wide field-of-view low-resolution spectrometer at APEX: Instrument design and scientific forecast”

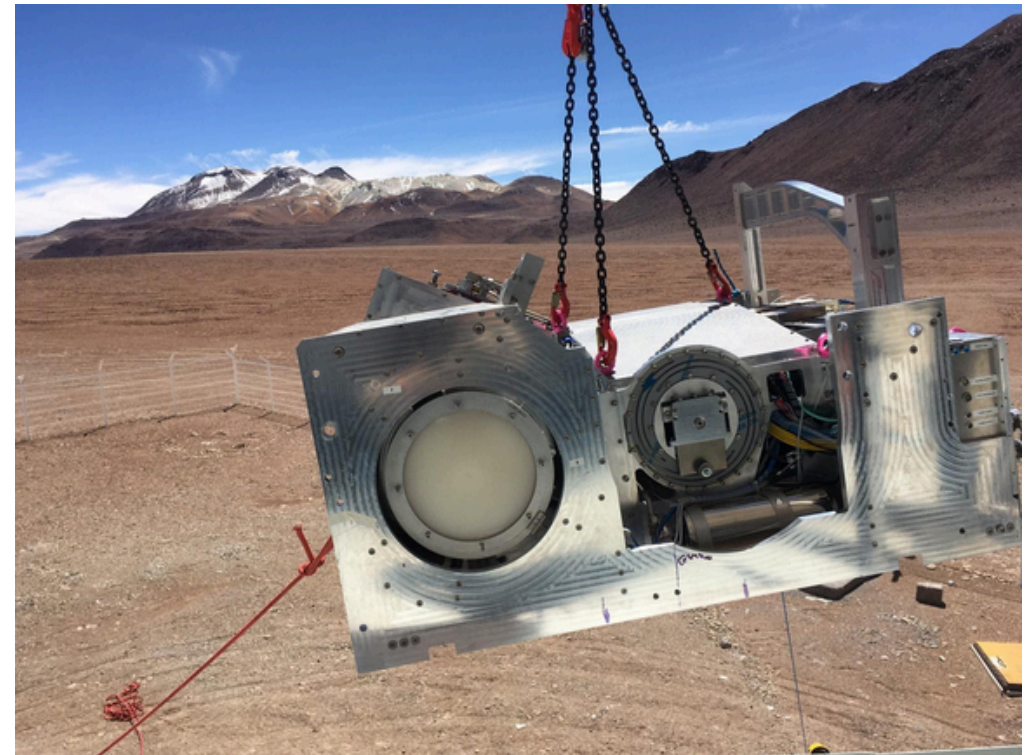
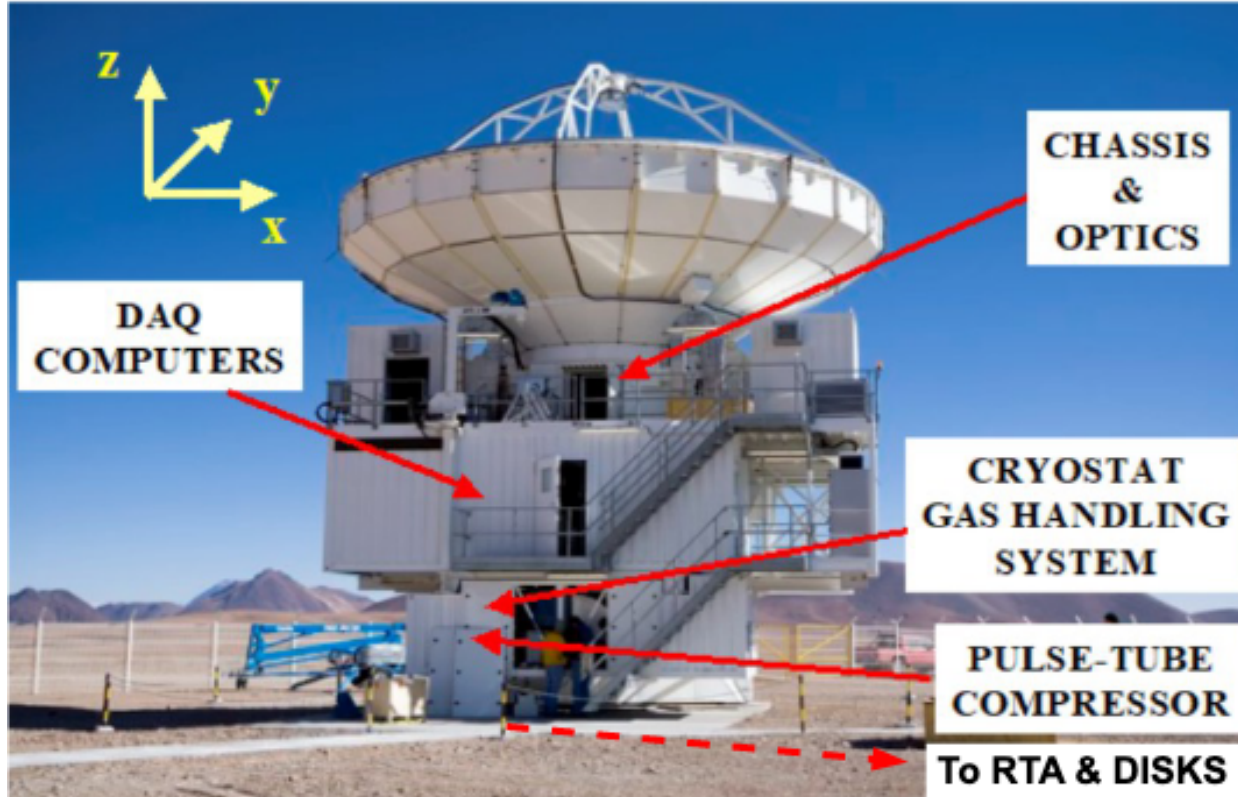
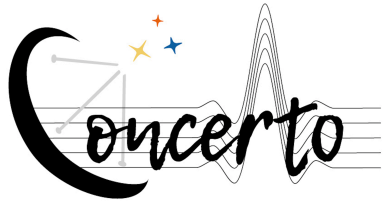
The CONCERTO collaboration, A&A 642, 2020



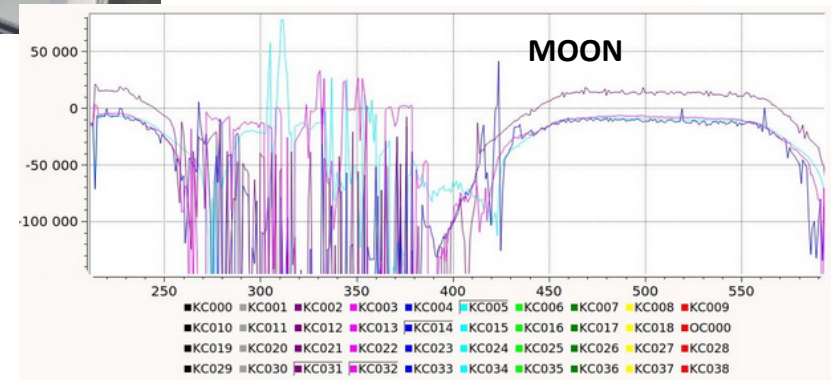
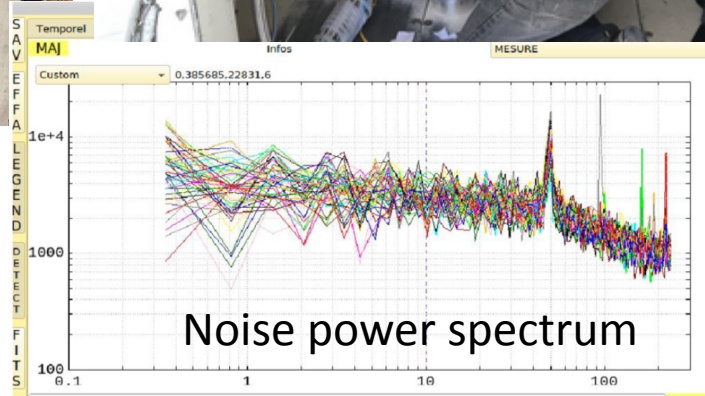
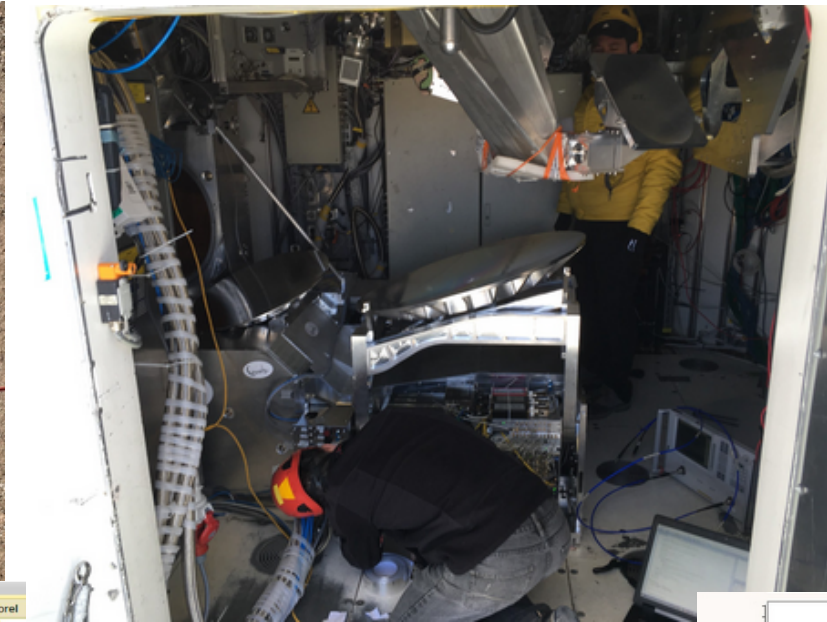
Installation and commissioning

On site:

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Shift « P » - 06/04/2021 to 15/04/2021

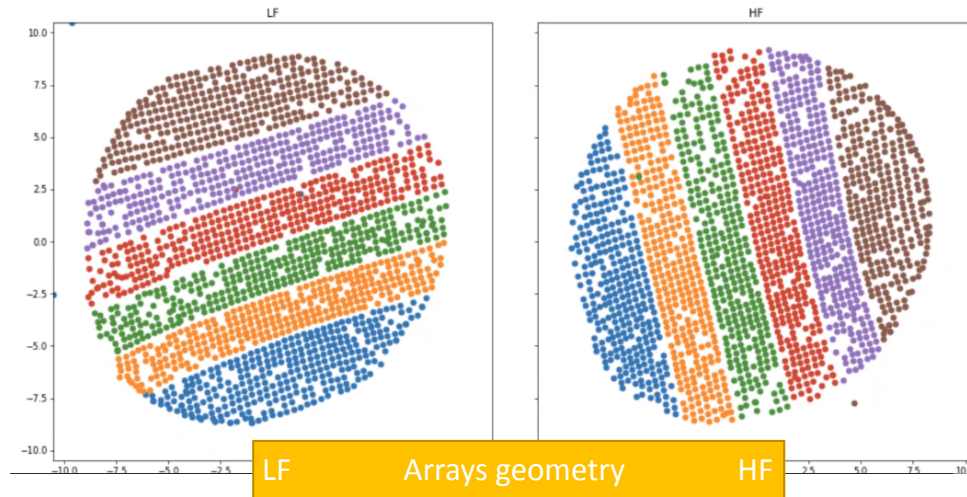
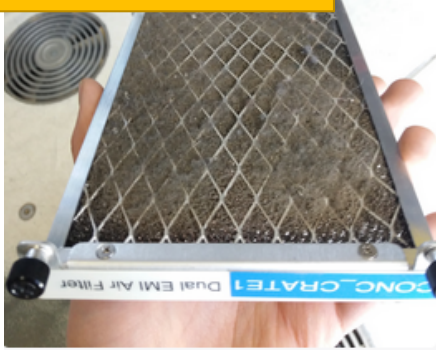


MOSTLY: Unpacking, installation in the C-cabin, instrumentations and compressors containers, connection, cooling-down, first technical light on Sky and Moon, running underground cables

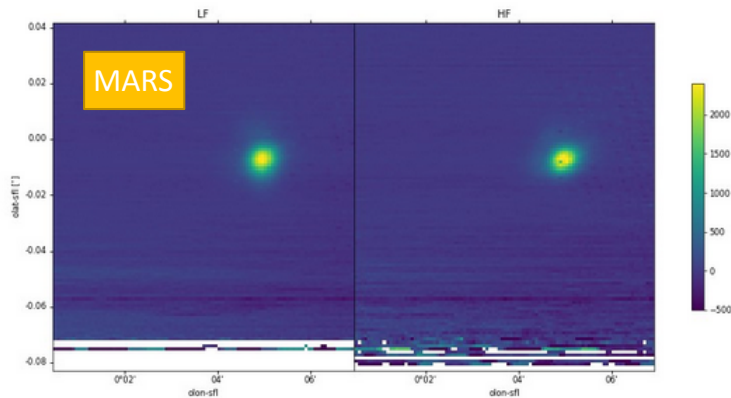
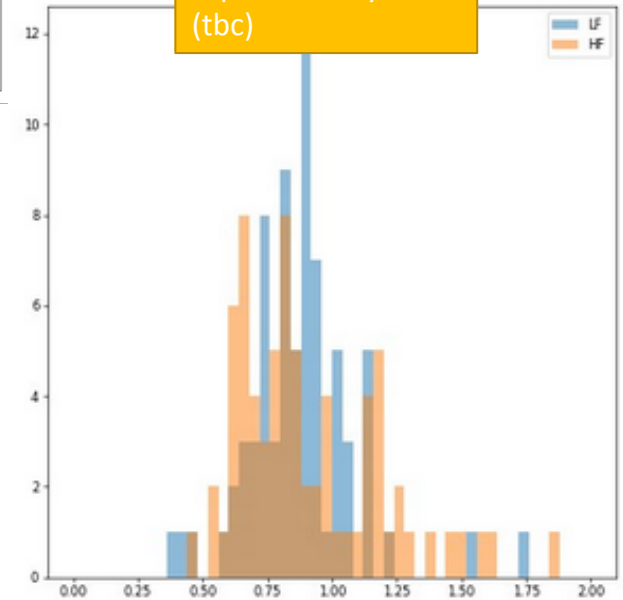
→Cryostat cold, resonances OK, noise floor OK, 50Hz noise observation (not present with cap), seen response from Skydip, observation of the Moon.

Shift « Q » - 17/04/2021 to 25/04/2021

Electronics maintenance



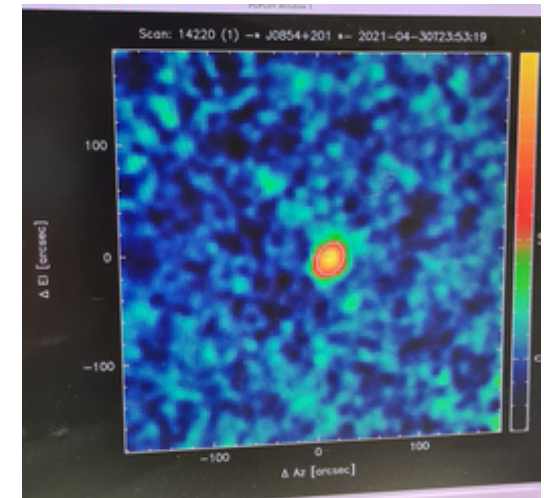
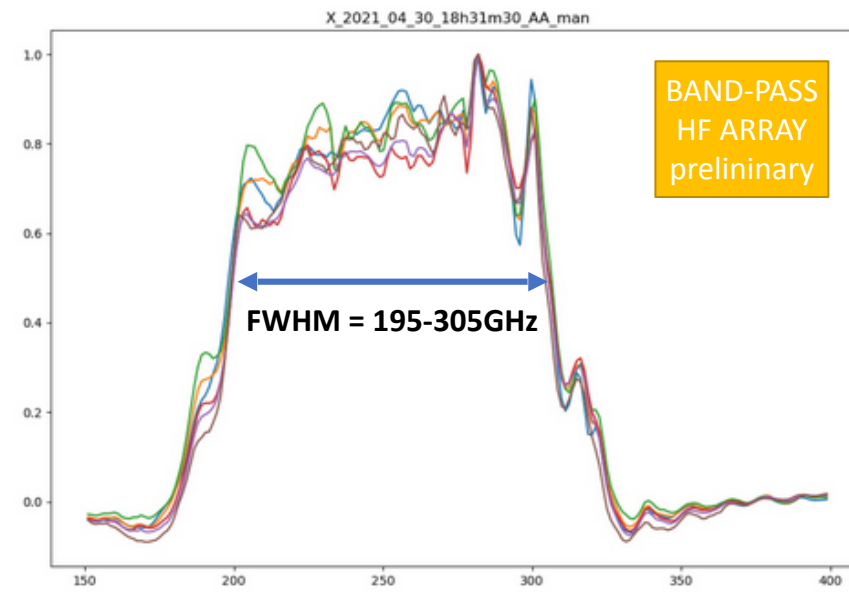
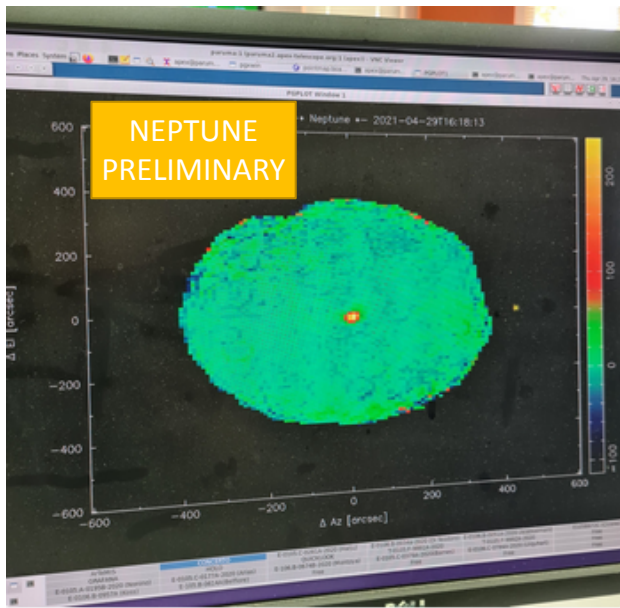
Interferometry
Efficiency compared
to photometry mode
(tbc)



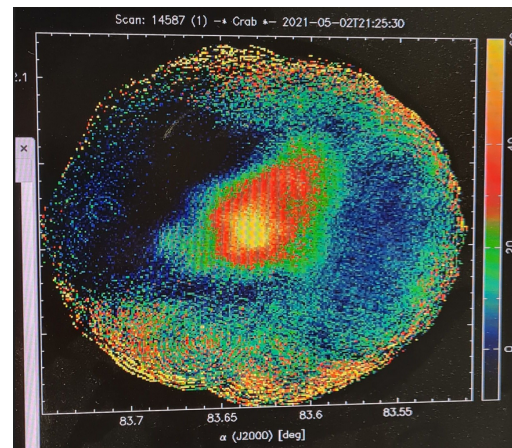
MOSTLY: installation in servers room, detectors settings, alignments, fixing various electronics problems, first focussed light, investigation of 50Hz noise, geometries, DAQ debug etc.

→ Identified the MENERGA origin for part of the 50Hz noise, seen Jupiter and Mars, detectors response OK, fixed problems on electronics, interferometry is good, geometries...

Shift « R » - 27/04/2021 to 06/05/2021



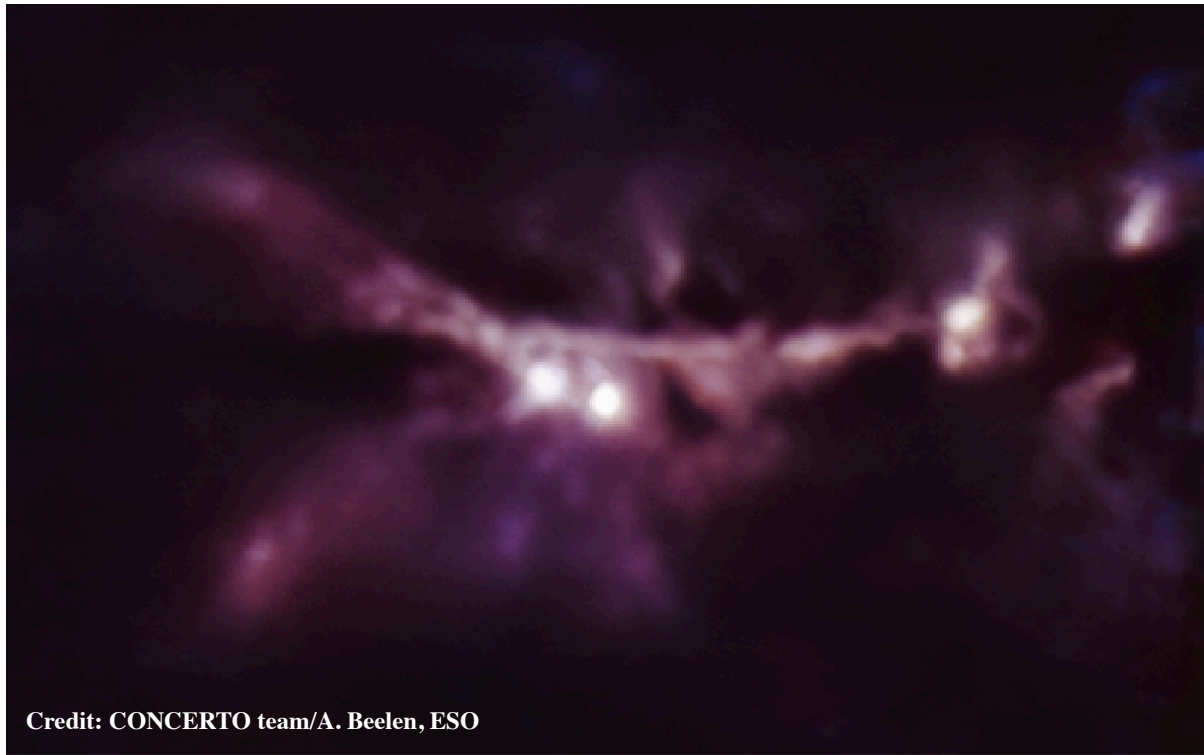
J0854+201 – 2.5Jy @233GHz
Pointing scan 35 seconds
(start of pointing run)



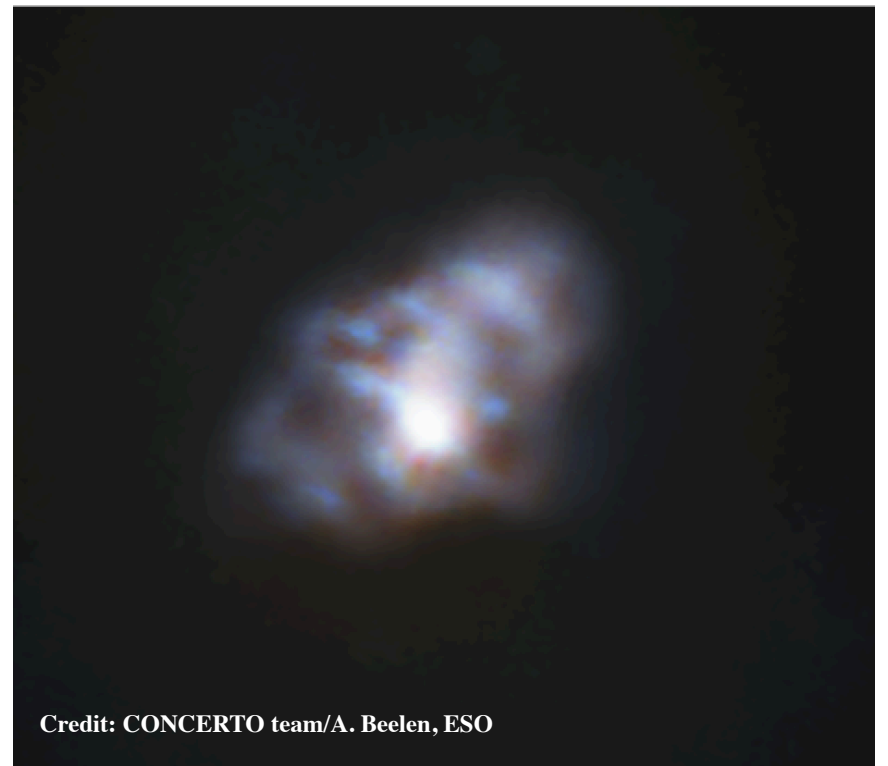
MOSTLY: observations, investigation of 50Hz noise, software, data analysis, pointing model

→ Observed some fainter and extended sources, focus, bandpass HF is OK, bandpass LF on-going, pointing model...

→ Demonstrating remote observations



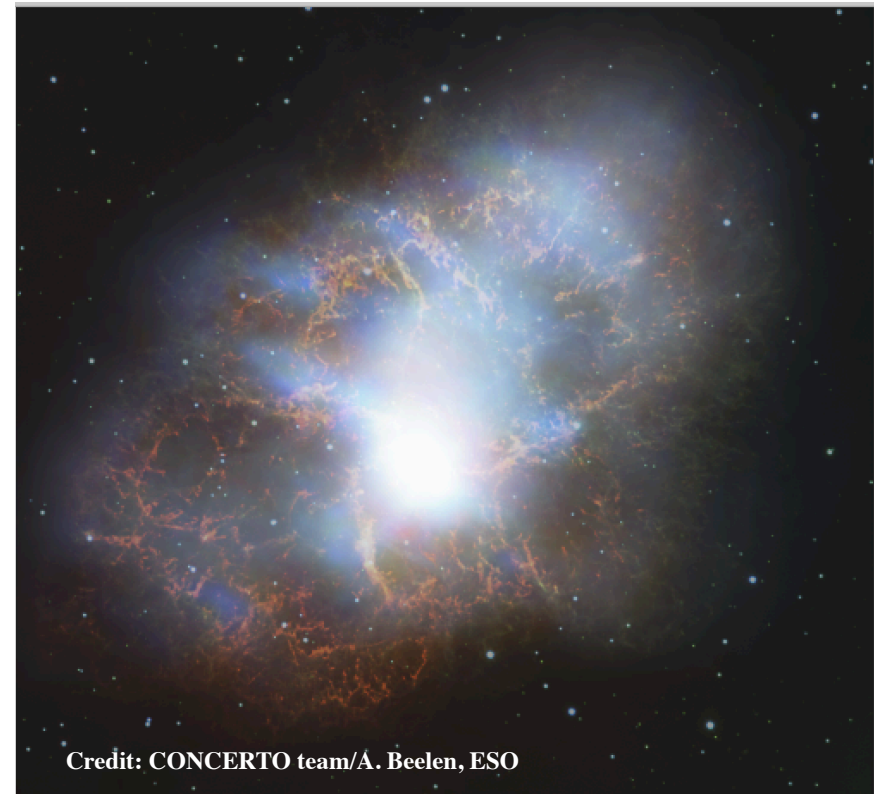
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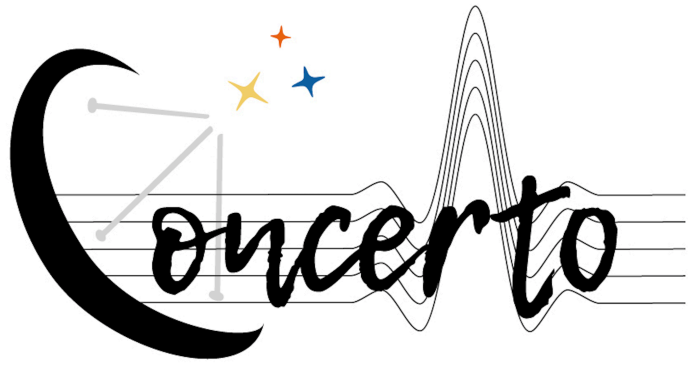
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SUCCESS !! A human adventure....
CONCERTO is a completely crazy project!



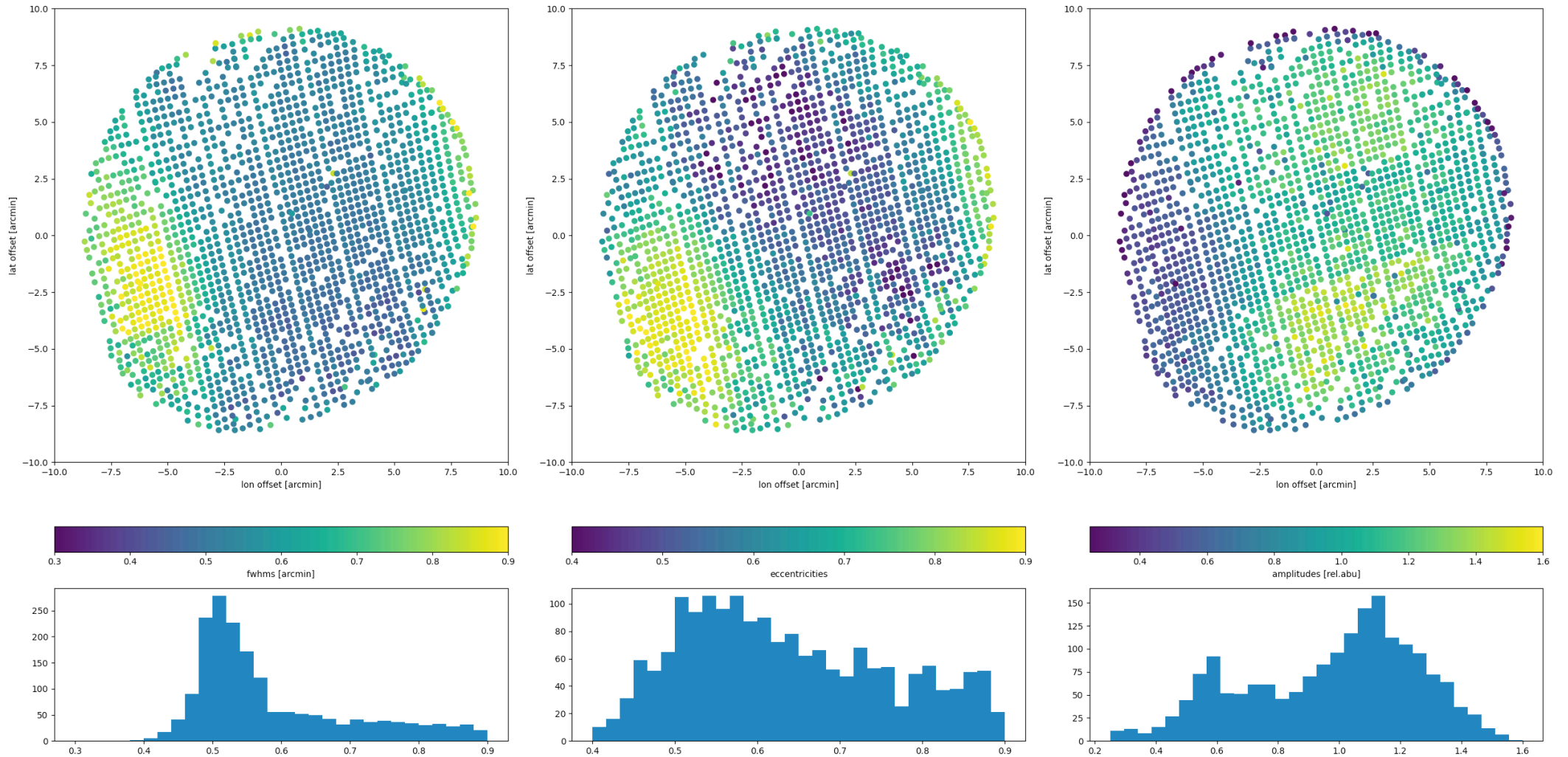


One year later....

- ❖ First “astro” observations during commissioning: AS2UDS (24/06), RXCJ1206 (26/06)
- ❖ From July to December 2021: 5 remote observing runs and 1 on site. **Routine observations!**
- ❖ Start again on April 20, 2022 (OSO)
- ❖ Simple procedures to start and prepare the instrument before starting the observations. Takes less than 15 minutes. Operating and monitoring the instrument is very smooth: APEX_manager and interface with instrument setup (acquisition) and quick look (signal, PSD)
- ❖ P108: Observations of 2 galaxy clusters
 - ❖ RXJ1347: ESO Open time + Abell 2744: CL time
- ❖ P109: 7 proposals (ESO) + 1 (CL) submitted
 - ❖ 2 ESO were accepted (PIs: Annie Zavagno and Emmanuel Artis for 110.5 hours) + 1 CL
- ❖ P110: 6 proposals (ESO for 266.1 h) submitted
- ❖ + COSMOS field (LP):
 - ❖ Starting the OSO+CL+ESO LP on the COSMOS field on 15/07/2021
 - ❖ So far: 369 hours on the COSMOS project (avec une efficacité de 79%)

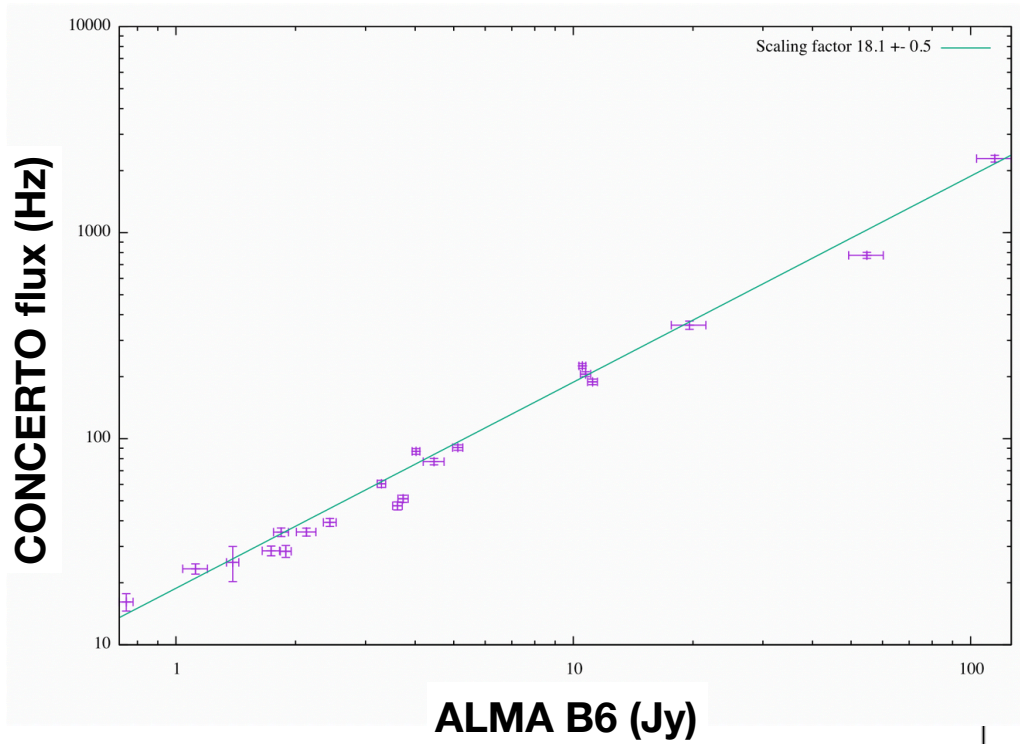
In photometry only (mirror is not moving): 115 GiB, ~ 50 minutes

2021 / HF



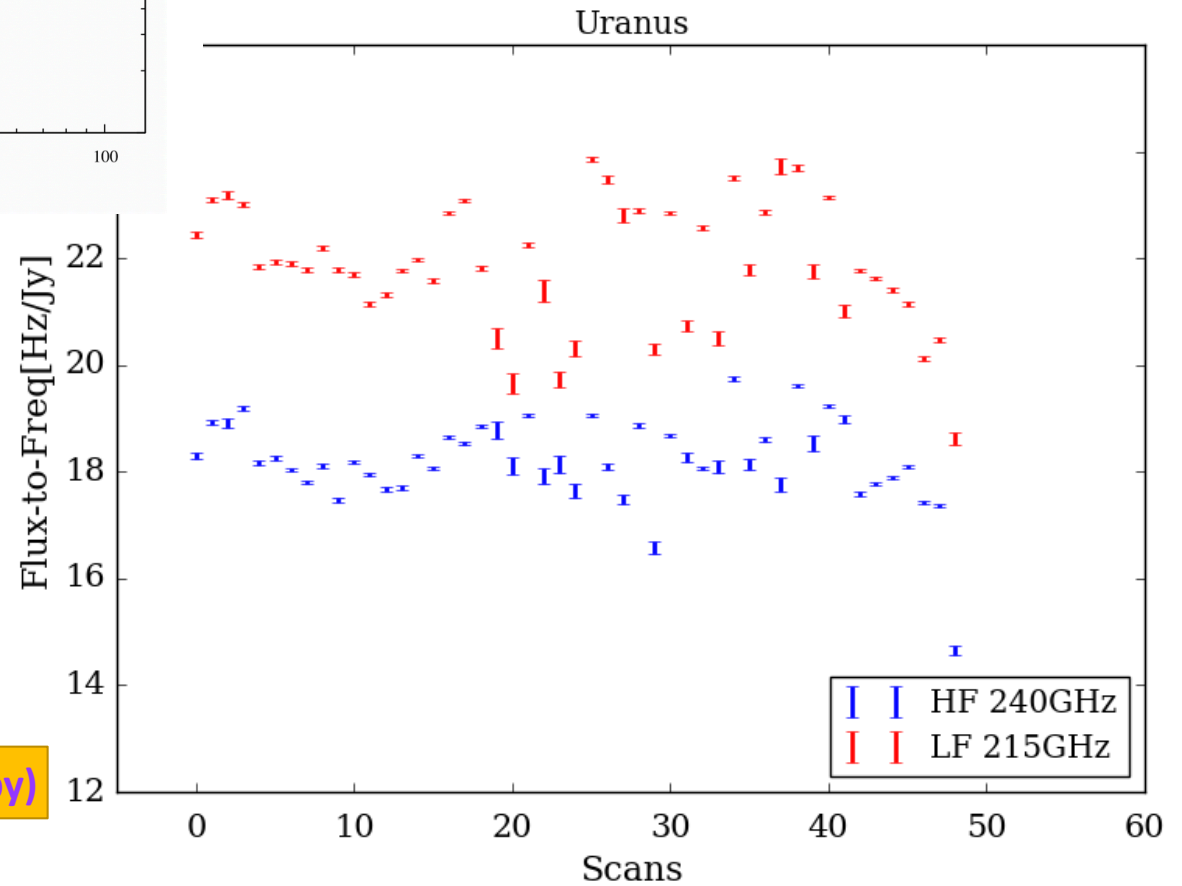
From a beam map on Mars:

- KIDS kept (after reading, i.e. some KIDs are not in the param.ini file): 86.4 %
- Among them: Good (unflagged): 76.2 %



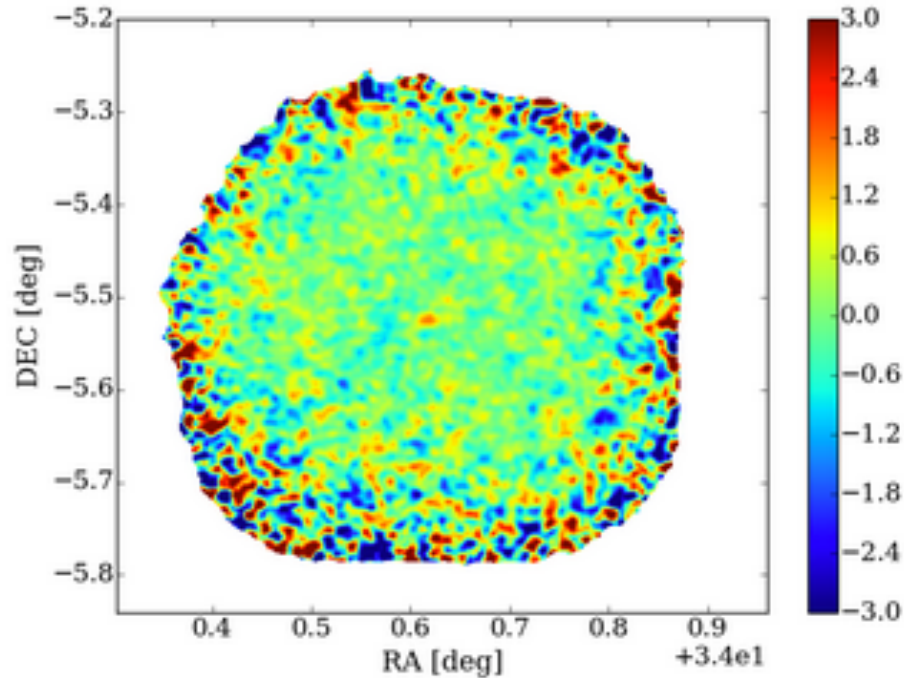
17 QSOs (ALMA B6) + Mars/Neptune/Uranus

From Andreas Lundgren and Wenkai Hu



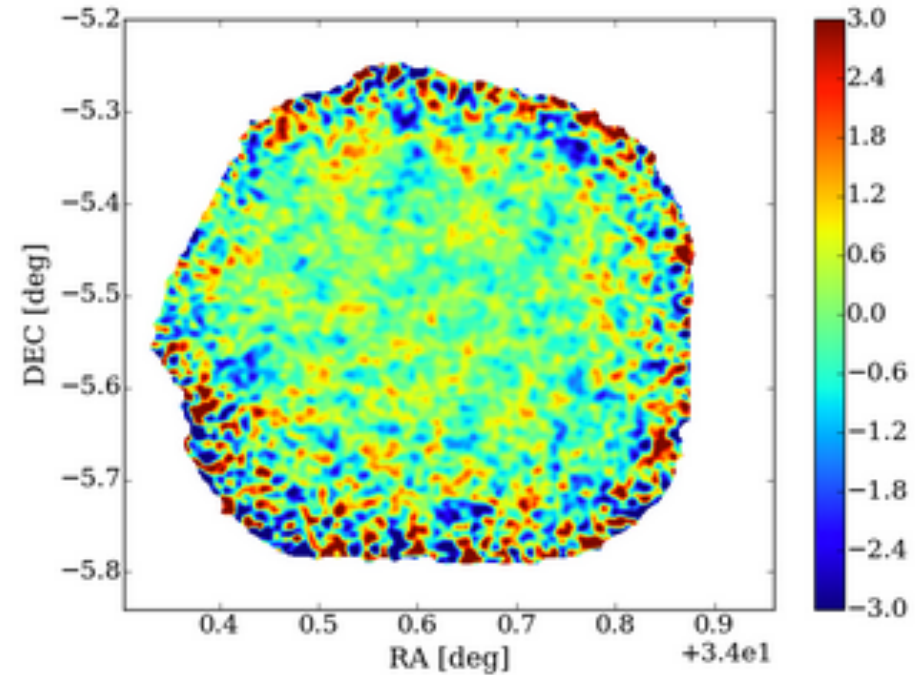
Uranus: 49 scans (photometry and spectroscopy)

HF



SNR = 3.3 - 4.6

LF

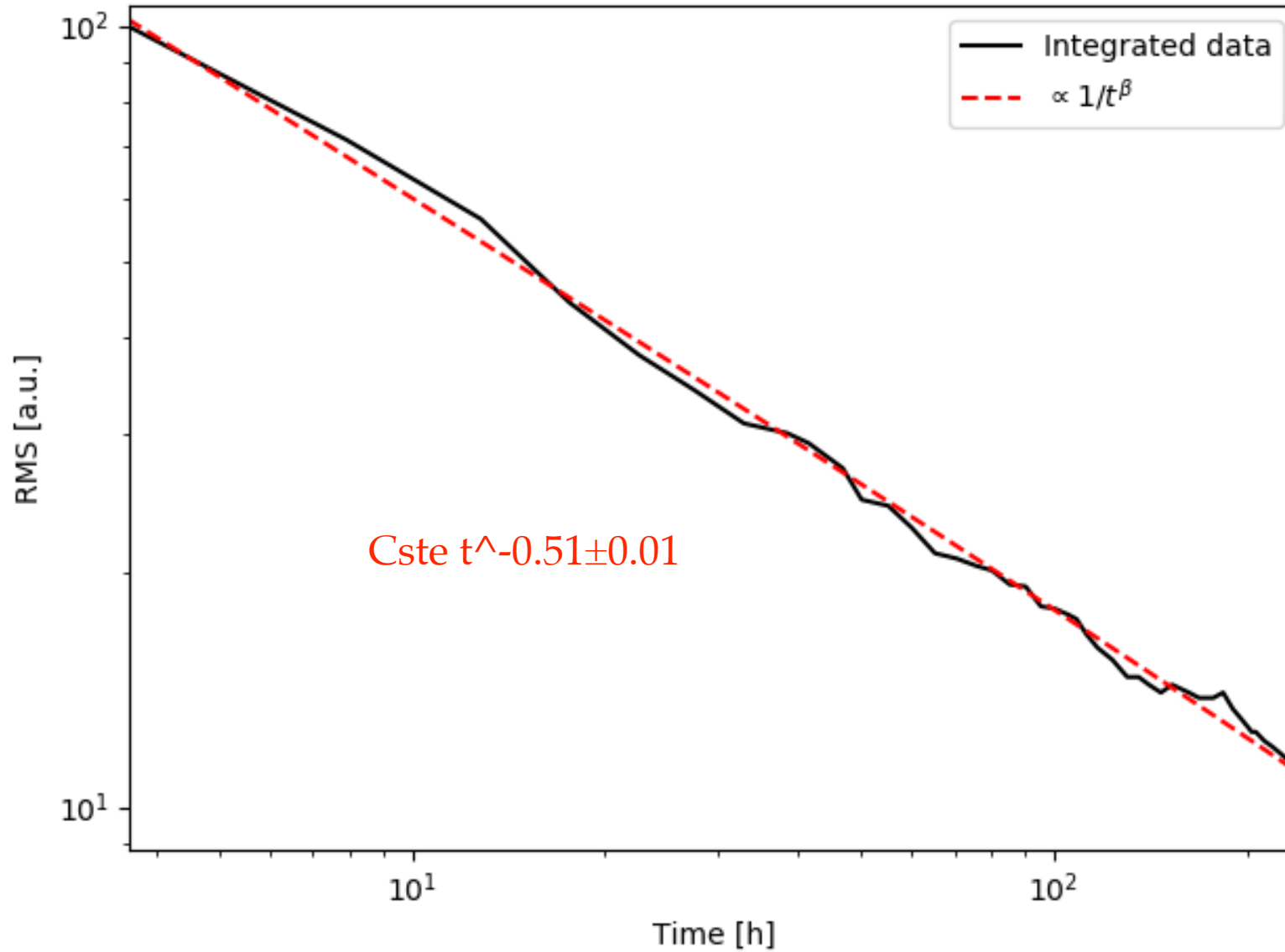


SNR = 2.9 - 3.7

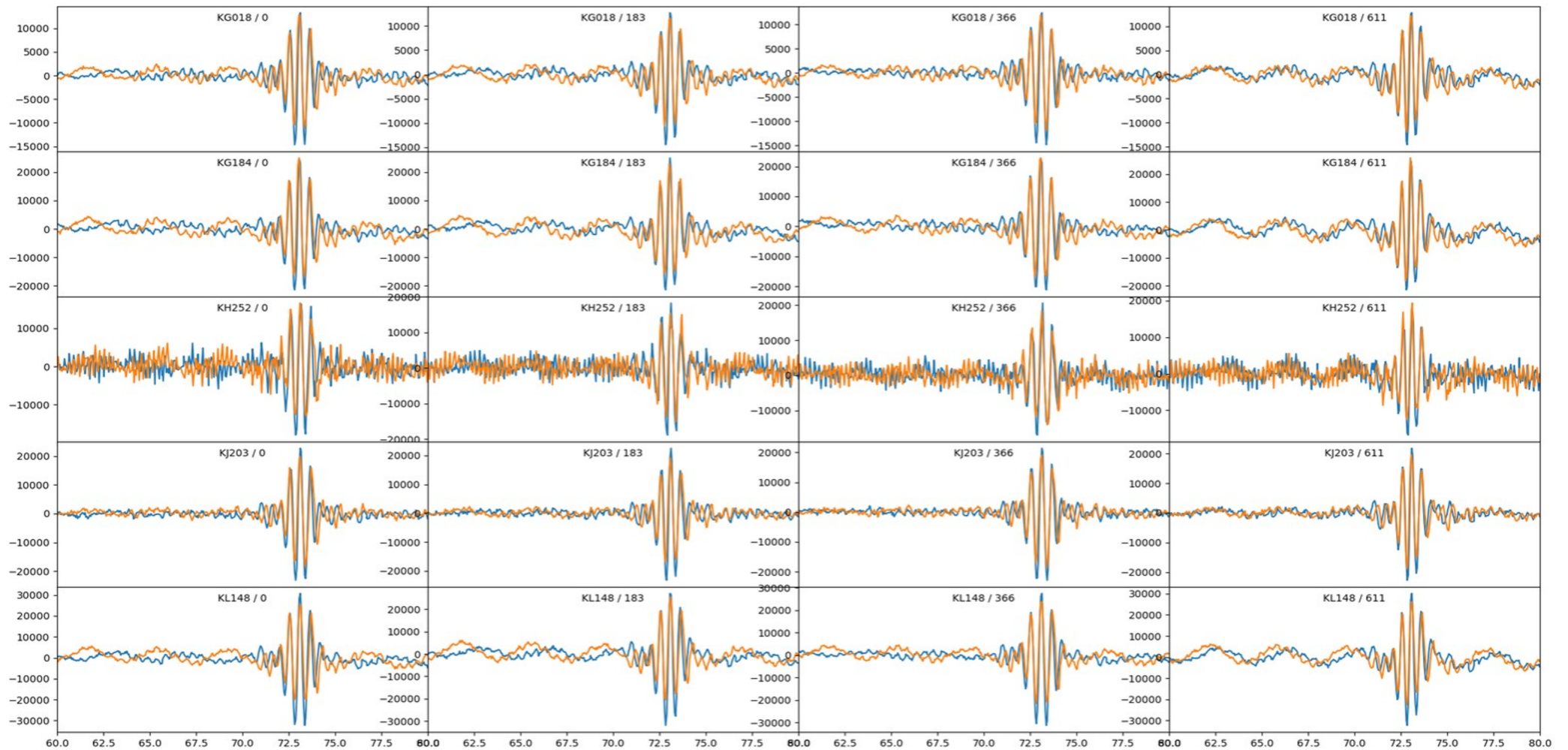
Expected flux at 1.2mm (250 GHz): 13.6-15.2 mJy
 => Should see the source at 3.3-3.7 sigma.

Sensitivity measured on sky (photometric mode) perfectly in line with expectations.

RMS central KIDS HF & BOA



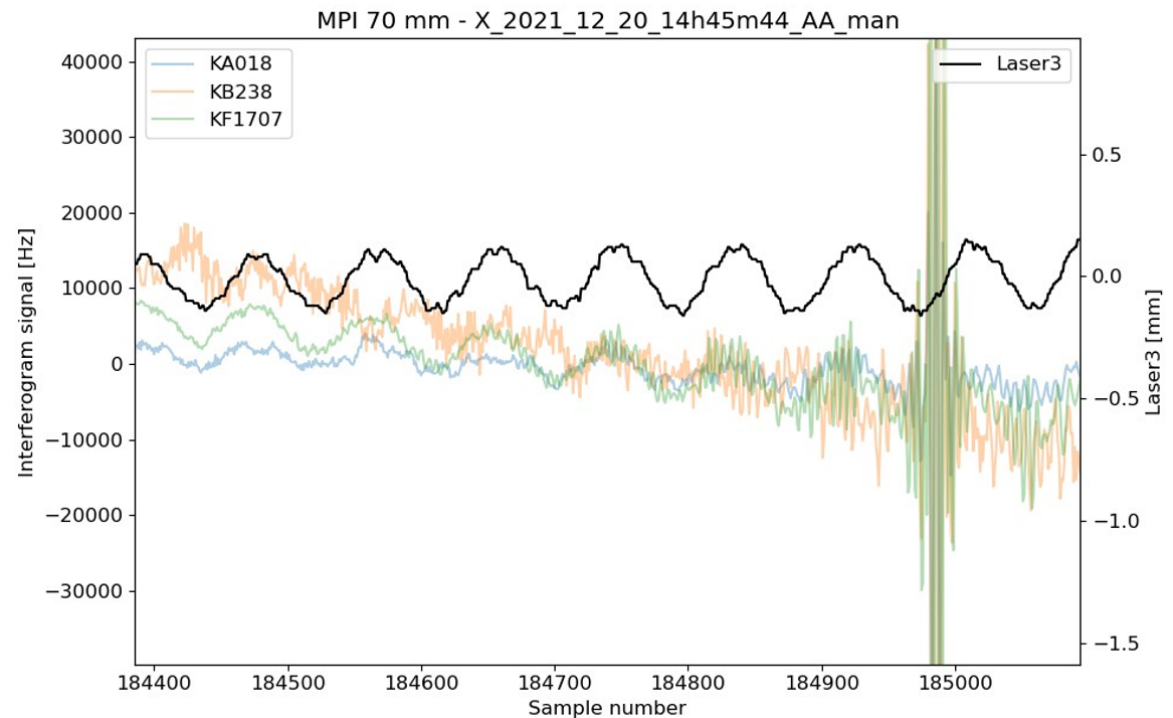
- ❖ KIDS timelines show strong 47ish Hz noise



Acoustic vibrations/deformation of the polariser could explain it all!

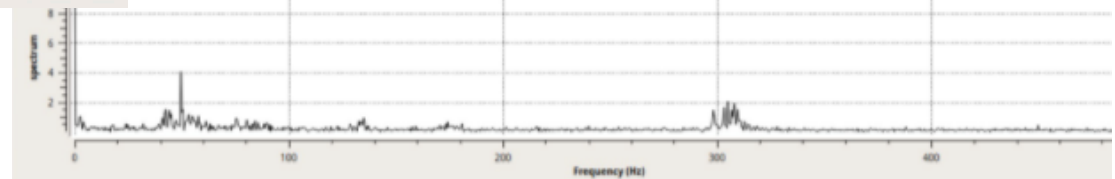
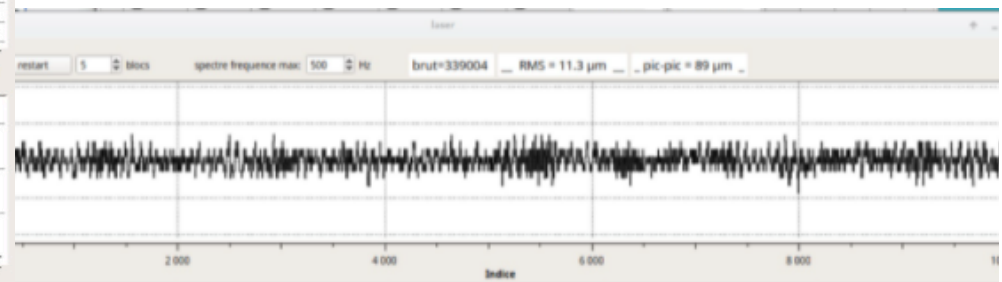
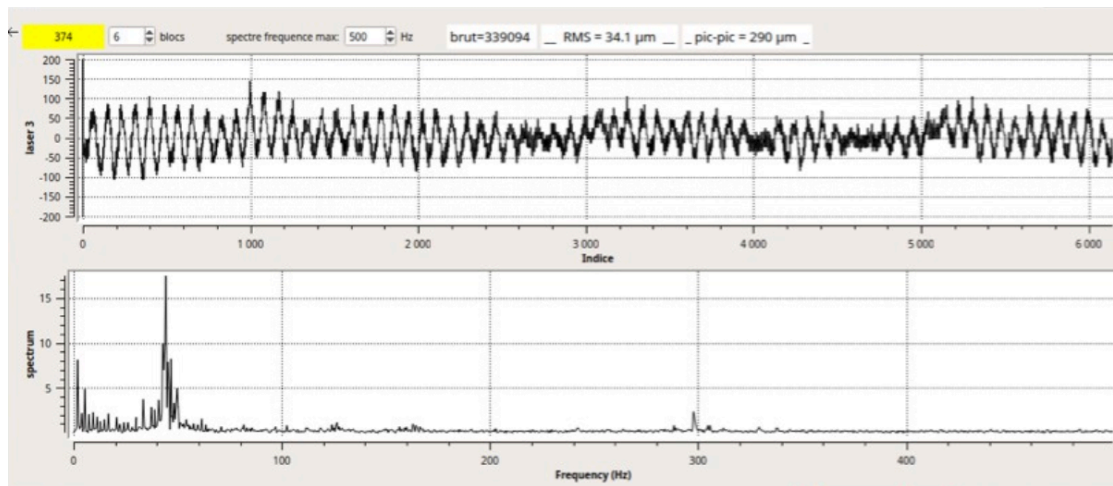
- ❖ The main laser is not measuring the actual optical difference
 - ❖ Problems to get the zero-path difference of the interferograms
- ❖ Additional noise in the KIDS timeline:
 - ❖ Suppression of the noise when MENERGA is off
 - ❖ Additional noise when MPI is on

**A new laser!
(Dec 2021)**



Installation of a speaker pointing towards the membrane (Jan 2022)

- ❖ Can excite the membrane
 - ❖ Allows us to derive KIDS response to membrane displacement
 - ❖ Allows us to derive effective correction to OPD
- ❖ Can be use in close-control loop to reduce membrane vibration
 - ❖ Decrease membrane rms by x3 (limited by the laser precision)



We just got a hand on the first and **strongest systematic effect** impairing our ability to derive spectra with confidence.

With Laser3 and the “counter action”. sensitivity in spec already within 50% of expectation.

Observing, observing, observing in hurry because of the end of CONCERTO in Dec 2022.

[Last Call for ESO Observing Time on APEX](#)

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